

WEATHER FORECAST.
Generally fair to-day and to-morrow; light variable winds.

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THE MYSTERY OF MAJOR RAY IS TO BE SOLVED

Secured Leave to Be Active
in Politics.

SOUGHT THE LABOR VOTE

House Request for Full Record
Not Complied With.

The Reply of the War Department,
Printed as an Official Document,
Is to Be Made Basis of Investigation—
Said to Have Escaped Punishment
on Serious Charges—How Matter
Started—What Record Showed.

The mystery of Maj. Beecher B. Ray, of the Pay Department of the army, is finally to be solved through a Congressional investigation. According to the official records, Maj. Ray has been given all the leaves of absence which he desired, and has not been disciplined upon formal charges which were substantiated after investigation. The fact that he ran a political bureau in Chicago during the last Presidential campaign, and claimed to have been instrumental in securing the labor vote for Taft and Sherman, is said to have had something to do with his favored treatment.

HOW THE MATTER STARTED.

The first chapter in the interesting developments which have led up to the investigation was a resolution introduced in the House by Representative Covington, of Maryland, calling for information "relative to charges of misconduct on the part of officers of the Pay Department since January 1, 1905." This resolution was adopted, and while the reply was in course of preparation, Representative Sweet, of Michigan, was asked by some War Department officials if some of the record could not be submitted. Mr. Sweet replied that, in his judgment, the document should be complete, and that the House would determine whether it should be printed in whole or in part. When the reply was sent to the House, however, it contained much detail concerning delinquencies on the part of some four other pay officers, but the record of Maj. Ray was not submitted in full. When the House document came from the Government Printing Office, all the information concerning the other officers had been edited out, and the case of Maj. Ray was given as fully as the War Department had sent it.

What the Record Showed.

The record showed that Maj. Ray had been treated most generously in the matter of leave of absence. Every request.

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JOHN BULL ENTERS PACT WITH JAPAN

Powers Agree to Unite When
Involved in a War.

London, July 14.—The foreign office this afternoon issued a draft of the revised Anglo-Japanese treaty. It was signed in London yesterday.

The new treaty permits the ratification of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty by the addition of the stipulation that the obligation to go to war is not binding if one of the belligerents happens to be a nation which is party to a general arbitration agreement with Japan or England. The new treaty goes into effect immediately and will remain in force for ten years.

Section 4 of the treaty reads: "Should either the high contracting party conclude a treaty of general arbitration with a third power, it is agreed that nothing in this agreement shall entitle upon such contracting party an obligation to go to war with the power with whom such treaty is in force."

The first article provides that whenever specified rights or interests are menaced, the two governments shall mutually safeguard them. The second article provides that if unprovoked attack or aggressive action arises on the part of any power or powers, causing either of the contracting parties to become involved in war in the defense of its territory, or special interests, as specified, the other party shall immediately come to the assistance of its ally and conduct the war in common or make peace mutually.

Aviator Falls to Death.
Algers, July 14.—Aviator Pallietto, while preparing to go to a military review to-day, fell from a height of 100 feet and was instantly killed.

Stimson Sees Canal Work.
Colon, Panama, July 14.—Secretary of War Stimson and his party to-day made an examination of the Culebra Cut. Col. Goethals accompanied them.

White Sulphur Springs.
Old patrons will be delighted with and new ones will appreciate the modern improvements made during past two months. (Over management of Mr. Adams, of C. O. Postoffice. Call at C. & O. office for booklet.)

Elephant-Donkey Race to Washington Halted.

New York, July 14.—Jenny and Judy, the donkey and elephant racing from Luna Park to Washington, D. C., wearing banners inscribed "1912—the White House or Bust," were halted and the race called off by Fred Thompson to-night when the two political representatives ambled into Darby, a western suburb of Philadelphia, at 6 o'clock to-night.

Jenny was lame in both forward legs, and Judy was sore as to one off pad, from picking up a Jersey nail. They will be shipped back to Luna Park by boat from Philadelphia to-morrow.

PRICE OF MILK IS INCREASED AS FAMINE ARRIVES

Twenty-eight Cents Asked
by Wholesalers.

Beginning to-day, the wholesale price of milk will be increased from 24 to 28 cents a gallon. Bidders at the milk depots are paying as high as 26 cents a gallon.

Shipments Decreased.

Shipments are daily decreasing, and a large percentage of the milk received here is sour. Washington milkmen say conditions have advanced too far for rain to be of relief, and the only possible hope is a protracted cool wave. Dairymen have been compelled to raise their prices, and all are now cutting down orders to the minimum.

John Hartung, who conducts a dairy at 108 Florida avenue northwest, said last night that for the last week he has been unable to get half of his route. In order to keep his customers he has been compelled to reduce all of the orders one-half.

"I have been forced to raise the price of my milk to 9 cents a quart, and 5 cents a pint," said Mr. Hartung. "The prospect is daily becoming worse. This week I was down in Virginia making arrangements for milk shipments, and I found conditions there the same as in Washington. There are no pastures, and there is nothing green. The farmers have to feed the cattle on winter feed. Fully one-fourth of the milk shipments have fallen off. Rain will do absolutely no good. We must have a cool spell to reduce the souring of the milk in order to prevent a famine here."

One reason for the milk souring so quickly is that dairymen usually cool their milk in springs but as a result of the drought, the springs have dried up, and this process has to be omitted.

The arrivals of cream have greatly diminished, and the supply and demand are now about equal. The only persons experiencing inconvenience from this source are the manufacturers of ice cream.

Supply from New York.

There was a carload of milk from New York yesterday, and there will be another one to-morrow. Most of the milk consumed in the city, however, comes from Virginia and Maryland by railroad, steamer, and the Old Dominion Line from Falls Church. A good many farmers sell their milk to the creameries, but because of the shortage they are now giving their supplies to the regular dairymen.

It is asserted by the ice dealers that there is no likelihood of a famine of the cooling blocks, and that the American Ice Company itself is fully able to cope with the abnormal conditions. But, nevertheless, there is a shortage, and the people are feeling the effects of it. The American Ice Company has raised its price 5 cents on the hundred pounds, and it is probable other dealers will follow their example. A. B. Willis, of the Home Ice Company, said last night, however, that his firm would stick to the old rates.

WATERSPOUT THREATENS BALTIMORE SHIP YARDS

Huge Column of Swirling Water Is Menace in Advance on City Driven by High Wind.

Baltimore, July 14.—Careening down the river into the upper bay this morning, a waterspout estimated to be 100 feet in diameter at the base and several times that distance in height, smashed and twisted things just below Sparrows Point and terrorized shipping men who were in its path or that vicinity.

A large lighter of the Raymond Concrete Company and several smaller craft that were moored to the wharves or anchored in the neighborhood of the Maryland Steel Company were torn from their moorings by the whirling and dashing waves that followed the "spout's" downfall. Few of the harbor men had ever witnessed such a phenomenon, and it is said that the "spout" was the first seen in the river in 20 years.

Like water spouts of the Orient, the one to-day in the harbor came up without the slightest warning. The already strong winds which swept the harbor with the approaching storm were suddenly transformed into a howling gale. Men working on the docks at Sparrows

Point were driven to shelter by the downpouring rain. Looking out over the river they saw to their surprise a small spout forming about half a mile from the shore.

As the wind increased in force the spout began to get larger. Larger and larger it became, until, with a terrible sweep which sent spray flying for yards, the spout flew into the air and started on its ascent to the clouds.

MR. WICKERSHAM AND NOT DR. WILEY NOW ON DEFENSE

President Taft's Position Is
Doubly Embarrassing.

INQUIRY TO BE MADE

Reprimand Seems Only Alternative
for the Administration.

Democrats Inclined to Accuse Attorney General Himself of Irregularities in His Department. Protests Against Pure Food Experts' Removal Four Into White House—Chemist Faithful Official.

The situation confronting the Taft administration as the result of the attempt to oust Dr. Harvey W. Wiley from his post as chief of the Bureau of Chemistry grew in seriousness yesterday. There is a disposition on the part of the Democrats and Dr. Wiley's friends to emphasize the part which Attorney General Wickersham has taken in holding that Dr. Wiley's offense "merited condign punishment," and it is apparent that in the event of Wiley's removal Mr. Wickersham will be the chief object of attack by the Wiley supporters.

EMBARRASSING TO TAFT.

This makes the President's position doubly embarrassing. If he orders the removal of Dr. Wiley he will be confronted with the certainty of another bitter controversy inside his administration, and if he allows the pure-food specialist to retain his post he will be in the attitude of having rejected the findings of his official legal adviser.

Democratic members of the House Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Agriculture met yesterday and decided upon an investigation into the entire controversy. Members of the committee declared that they were determined to ascertain "who wants Dr. Wiley fired, and why."

Representative Moss, of Indiana, chairman of the committee, had a conference with Dr. Wiley, but declined to comment on it. The inquiry will begin without delay, and Dr. Wiley probably will be the first witness called.

Prof. Willet M. Hays, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; George P. McCabe, Solicitor of the department, and C. C. Clark, the department chief clerk, members of the committee on personnel which decided that Dr. Wiley was guilty of a violation of the law, and recommended his retirement, also will be summoned. It is understood, too, that the committee will summon Attorney General Wickersham.

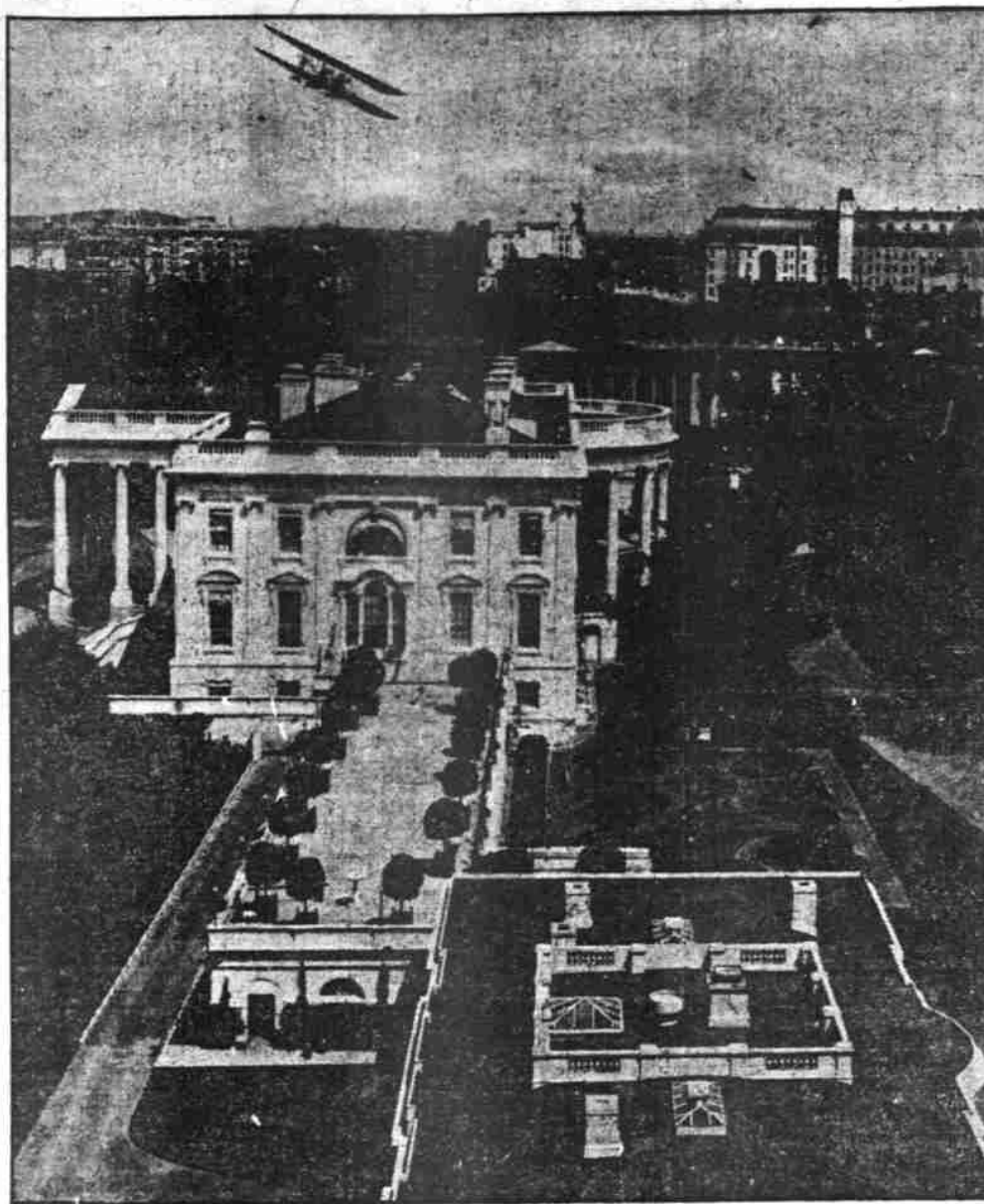
The disposition of the Democrats to turn the Wiley incident to their advantage politically by embarrassing the administration is indicated clearly by interviews given out yesterday.

Some of the Democrats were inclined to accuse the Attorney General himself of irregularities in connection with the administration of his own department. Chairman Beall, of the House Committee now investigating the Department of Justice, charged that lump payments had been made by the Attorney General himself to specially retained lawyers for their expenses, whereas the law specifically requires that all such accounts be itemized and payments made on vouchers.

"In view of the disclosures concerning the liberties taken by the Attorney General," said Chairman Beall, "I am unable

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ATWOOD ON HIS WAY TO WHITE HOUSE.



Remarkable picture taken for The Washington Herald before Boston aviator descended in the White House gardens, where he was presented with a gold medal by the President yesterday afternoon.

MARSHAL ROBBED BEFORE OFFICER

Thief Demonstrates Ability
to Italian Police.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Viterbo, July 14.—Capt. Fabroni, of the Naples Carabinieri, continued his testimony when the trial of the Camorristi opened this morning.

The witness told of the meeting of the Camorristi at the home of Maria Stendard, where, he said, the murder of Gen. Cucciollo and his wife was planned. Fabroni testified that the common-law wife of Nicola Morra, who is among the prisoners, took the stolen furniture and other goods of the Cucciollos to her home, where she stored it.

Fabroni, in reviewing the character of the prisoners, related an incident which occurred in his presence.

Antonio Parlati, wishing to prove that he was a thief and not a murderer, placed a wager with a friend that he could rob Marshal Farris in the witness's presence. Although his tune was buttoned, Fabroni testified, ten minutes later the marshal discovered that his cigarette case and pocketbook had been stolen.

COUNCIL ADJOURNS AS GUN PLAY BEGINS

Attorney and Banker Cause
Terror in Meeting.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Lynchburg, Va., July 14.—A report reached here to-day by a Lynchburg professional man who was a witness to an affray Tuesday night in the chamber of the town council of Crewe, when Harry Lee, Commonwealth's attorney for Nottoway County, is alleged to have shot at C. E. Wilson, a banker of Crewe, who is chairman of the municipal finance committee, and chairman of the Nottoway Republican county committee.

The bullet went wide of its mark, because a mutual friend struck the arm of Lee, causing the ball to imbed itself in the wall. It is said Wilson resented a statement made to the council by Lee, and he declared it false. When pressed by Lee he said he meant to call Lee a liar, and Lee, the recital goes, drew his revolver and fired. The council immediately adjourned without formality, and it is understood that a warrant was issued for Lee's arrest.

DUCHESS SUDDENLY ILL.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, July 14.—The Duchess of Devonshire was taken suddenly ill this afternoon at the Sandown race meeting and collapsed. She was removed to her home unconscious, and is reported to be seriously ill this evening.

Free.

Cut out Luna Park coupon, page 14.

The Secretary of Hinchcliff's Flowers is conceded. They're fresh. 14th & H.

FIFTY ARE DEAD IN SUNKEN SHIP

Passengers Are Trapped Below Deck.

Port Limon, Costa Rica, July 14.—In the

blackness of a tropical storm at night, thirty-two passengers and several members of her crew sank with the small steamship Irma, when it was struck by the steamer Diamante. News of the disaster has just reached here from Bluefields. Only eight passengers of the Irma escaped and they figured in thrilling rescues.

The collision occurred in the estuary of the San Juan River. The Irma was rammed with frightful force. Her sides splintered in and several passengers are thought to have met death in the shock. Almost immediately the boat began to sink. Those who escaped were saved almost entirely by accident, except such as were taken to the shore through heroic efforts of the Costa Rican coast guardsmen.

Boats carried out lines from shore, and a careful patrol of the rough water was begun. The storm was so severe that lifeboats barely could be kept upon their keels. But their efforts in most cases were vain. The storm had kept every one aboard the doomed vessel below, and the boat sank so quickly after being struck that many did not have time to reach the deck.

Very few of the bodies have been recovered, but at Colorado Bar the sea is covered with floating merchandise from the wreck. The total life loss probably reaches fifty, including three Nicaraguan coffee growers, two, with their wives, forming a party which recently had returned from Europe. They were going to Castillo on business before proceeding to their homes.

WOMAN ESCAPES END ON GALLOWS

Death Sentence Commuted
to Life Imprisonment.

Ottawa, July 14.—Angelina Napolitana,

the Sault Ste. Marie woman sentenced to the gallows for murder, will not be hanged. This was decided to-day at a largely-attended meeting of the Dominion cabinet. The sentence has been commuted to life imprisonment.

The members of the cabinet stated that they had not been influenced in their decision by the carloads of petitions that had come in to the governor general and the department of justice, from all parts of the United States and the Dominion of Canada, but that the case was decided wholly on its merits.

The decision was arrived at on the grounds of the woman's approaching confinement, the circumstances surrounding the case, the recommendation of mercy by the jury and the trial judge.

The decision of the cabinet must be approved by the governor general's deputy, the governor general being absent, and as soon as this is received the order of commutation will be given.

CAMOYS GETS HEIRESS.

London, July 14.—Adolph Francis Julian

Stoner, Lord Camoy, usher at the Deedes-Gould wedding and chum of the Hon. "Bobby" Hereford, is engaged to be married to Miss Mildred Sherman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Watts Sherman and one of the wealthiest heiresses in the United States. This became known to-day, following the announcement that Camoy is to leave England soon to visit the Shermans at Newport.

STARTLING FEAT CROWNS TRIP OF AVIATOR ATWOOD

Most Difficult Exhibit Airman Has Made.

IN AND OUT AMONG TREES

Receives Gold Medal Presented
by the President.

Tribute of Visit and Accomplishments in Washington & Gift from Washington Aero Club—Aeroplane Guarded by Policemen During the Night—Atwood Goes to New York and May Return and Fly Back.

Weaving his way in among the White House trees and weaving his way out again, Harry N. Atwood dropped in on President Taft yesterday afternoon, received the gold medal of the Washington Aero Club, and furnished a new chapter of thrills for the flying art.

Scenically, the air trip from Potomac Park to the Executive Mansion lacked the dash and bravado of the Thursday night journey. Technically, it was infinitely more difficult than anything Atwood had hitherto attempted. The alighting and the departure from the White House are quite the best things he has done.

GOES TO NEW YORK.

The airman threw on a new pair of trousers and jumped on a train for New York an hour or so after the trip was over. Shattering the myth rested on the polo grounds all night, guarded by a lone policeman, but his master will be back to-day, brimful of plans for new exploits and with the ambition to make the air route back to New York with the trusty biplane.

Things "broke" yesterday in swift succession. Atwood took the sky journey from College Park in a driving rain, and looked like a drowned puppy when he descended at Potomac Park only fifteen minutes before his engagement at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon in his honor. He hustled to the New Willard, changed his clothes, was received with enthusiasm by his hosts, and then hurried back to his machine in the park.

He had a proud date with the President of the United States, and knew his mother also would be at the White House to see her boy show what was in him. Washington was also aware of these facts, and was out in goodly numbers when the biplane scudded and clipped over the Tidal Basin, its wings all a-quiver with excitement just before it was ready to climb and soar.

As the moth swept into full view around the Monument, cutting didoes nonchalantly, the thrills began to come. The engine was working enthusiastically, the biplane was chipper and confident. It buried its nose in the face of the twenty-five-mile-an-hour wind blowing across the field, and never wavered.

Turns a Big Trick.
Atwood had the illusion as to the real hazards of his task. He was going to do what only a handful of daredevil flyers would dream of attempting.

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CHOLERA THREATENS.

Patients Die After Removal from Steamer Moltke.

New York, July 14.—Health Officer

Doty reported to-day the deaths from cholera of two passengers of the steamship Moltke, removed while under observation at Hoffman Island to Swinburne Island Hospital. They were Gabriel E. Mastrobuoni, eighteen years old, who died on July 12, and Lucia Daddona, sixty-nine years old, who died on July 14. Two patients, Pietro Mussalo and Alfred Fiori, are at the Swinburne Island Hospital suffering from cholera and both are very ill. Six suspicious cases are also in the hospital.

Superstition May Save Man With Broken Neck

New Rochelle, N. Y., July 14.—The friends of Waldorf Miller, the young man who broke his neck diving from the rocks at Hudson Park on the night of July 4, believe that his superstition may be the means of his ultimate recovery.

Yesterday was the tenth since his accident, and it was his firm belief that he would recover if he lived longer than his brother Fred, who lived just ten days after he broke his neck in a similar manner at the same spot three years ago.

Though the doctors at the hospital regard it as a mere superstition, they think his hopefulness may increase his vitality, which will help him in his battle against death.

62.00 Week-end Trips to Jersey Beaches Resorts, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Ask agent for particulars.

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The Sunday Edition
OF
The Washington Herald
To-morrow will contain an interesting
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